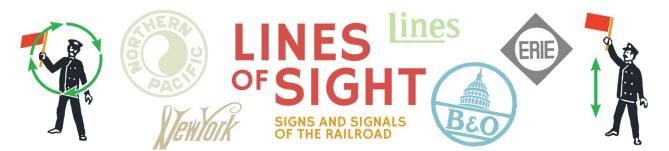
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B&O Railroad Museum Announces Exhibit

Featuring Rarely Seen Railroad Signs From Around The World



Baltimore, MD (January 3, 2020) The B&O Railroad Museum unveils a new exhibit, *Lines of Sight: Railroad Signs and Signals* – an artful display of historic railroad signs and signals from across the ages and world.

This unique temporary exhibit showcases a vast global collection of antique railroad signs from North America, Far East, U.K., Australia, Nigeria and even former USSR! "This is a real treat for rail enthusiasts, art lovers, historians, and the general public," said Kris Hoellen, Executive Director of the Museum, "it's a remarkable collection that has not previously been displayed and has something for everyone – it's simply cool." Chief Curator Jonathan Goldman explains that "since the story of the B&O Railroad traces nearly 200 years of American history, these signs and signals provide a window into the two-century long legacy of visual communication in the American rail industry."

There's a fun interactive element with a mini stage and tablet screen welcoming visitors of all ages to be the conductor and learn how to use flag signals for trains in front of a mural of the Harper's Ferry tunnel. Additionally, guests will glean an understanding of the complexity of railroad signals that were and are used to keep rail traffic flowing safely.

Keep the little conductor excitement going with free kid-friendly activity books to take home (available inside the exhibit area).

The *Lines of Sight* exhibit is included with admission and available through March 15, 2020. For more information about the exhibit or the B&O Railroad Museum, please call 410-752-2490 or visit <u>www.borail.org</u>.



About the B&O Railroad Museum

The B&O Railroad Museum[™], a full affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution, is dedicated to the preservation and interpretation of American railroading and its impact on American society, culture and economy. The Museum is home to the oldest, most comprehensive collection of railroad artifacts in the Western Hemisphere including an unparalleled roster of 19th and 20th century railroad equipment. The 40-acre historic site is regarded as the birthplace of American Railroading and includes the 1851 Mt. Clare Station, the 1884 Baldwin Roundhouse and first mile of commercial railroad track in America. For further information on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Museum, please call 410-752-2490 or visit www.borail.org.

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